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CABLE BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION HAIPHONG, NORTH VIETNAM 2051N 10640E

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS AN ELABORATE CABLE BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN HAIPHONG COMPLEX.

2. LOCATION:

IN THE HAIPHONG COMPLEX AT THE DONG DAO HA LY CANAL.

3. BACKGROUND:

THIS BRIDGE WAS FIRST COVERED ON MISSION AND
WAS REPORTED AS A SUSPECT CABLE BRIDGE AT THAT TIME.

4. MISSION READOUT:

MISSION BOQ 528, 21 MARCH 1969 REVEALS THE CONSTRUCTION OF A LARGE CABLE BRIDGE IN THE HAIPHONG COMPLEX. AT THE PRESENT STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION THE BRIDGE INCLUDES EIGHT LARGE PILE BENT PIERS, FOUR TIMBER TRESTLE PIERS, EIGHT DECK CABLES, AND SPANS APPROXIMATELY 70 FEET OF WATER.

5. REMARKS:

THIS BRIDGE WILL BRING THE TOTAL CABLE BRIDGES TO THREE WITHIN THE HAIPHONG COMPLEX WHEN COMPLETED, AND IT IS THE FIRST SIGHTING OF EIGHT DECK CABLES BEING UTILIZED IN BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION. THE OTHER TWO BRIDGES ARE OPERATIONAL AND ALL

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THREE BRIDGES PROVIDE ACCESS TO ROUTE 5, THE MAIN ARTERY LINKING HANOI AND HAIPHONG. THE BRIDGE WILL PROBABLY BE ONE LANE WIDE AND ITS STURDY CONSTRUCTION WILL ENABLE IT TO ACCOMMODATE ANY TYPE OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.

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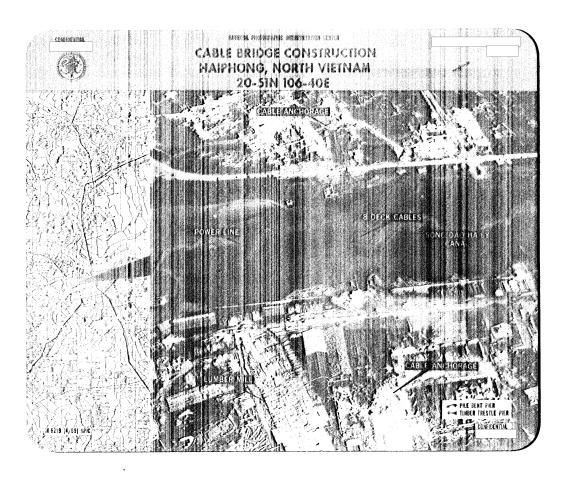
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